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#### NATIONAL ESTIMATES FOR 2013-14 FLU COVERAGE

CDC has released the final estimates for 2013-14 flu coverage for the general population, for healthcare personnel, and for pregnant women. Nationally, 46.2% of persons aged 6 months and older were vaccinated in the 2013-14 season. An Internet panel survey of healthcare personnel showed 75.2% coverage, and flu coverage of pregnant women was 52.5%.

CIDRAP summarized the coverage reports <a href="here">here</a>. For more information regarding these estimates, visit <a href="CDC's">CDC's</a> <a href="FluVaxView">FluVaxView</a> and this week's <a href="MMWR">MMWR</a>. See below a CDC infographic on flu vaccination and pregnant women.



# MDCH FALL REGIONAL IMMUNIZATION CONFERENCES

Registration for fall conference is now <u>open!</u> Make sure you register soon as some locations reach capacity fast.

-Oct. 7: Marquette -Oct. 24: Troy

-Oct. 9: Gaylord -Nov. 18: Grand Rapids -Oct. 21: Flint -Nov. 19: Kalamazoo -Oct. 23: Dearborn -Nov. 21: East Lansing

### **FLU WEBSITES**

www.michigan.gov/flu www.cdc.gov/flu www.flu.gov http://vaccine.healthmap.org/

### INFLUENZA-RELATED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- Challenges to school-located vaccination: lessons learned
- Haemagglutination inhibiting antibodies and protection against seasonal and pandemic influenza infection
- <u>Determining the phylogenetic and phylogeographic origin</u> of highly pathogenic avian influenza H7N3 in Mexico
  - Results highlight potential role for Mexico as hotspot of virus reassortment

MDCH 2014-15 COLLEGE FLU VACCINATION CHALLENGE MDCH officially launched the 2014-15 College and University Flu Vaccination Challenge on September 4 via press release and social media! There are currently 14 schools enrolled in the challenge. For more information, check out the challenge materials on the website!

CDC NOTES FROM THE FIELD: EXPIRED LAIV, 2007-2014 CDC published a report in last week's MMWR, Notes from the Field: Reports of Expired Live Attenuated Influenza Vaccine Being Administered - U.S., 2007-2014. CDC analyzed reports to the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) and found of 4,699 LAIV reports, 18.4% involved administration of expired vaccine. This is much higher than 0.02% of IIV reports involving expired vaccine.

## OTHER INFLUENZA-RELATED NEWS

- Influenza A/H3 diagnosed in Washtenaw adult
- <u>CDC Seasonal Flu Doses Distributed</u>: ~54.8 million doses distributed in U.S. (week of September 12, 2014)
- CIDRAP: <u>USDA says H3N1 viruses with human flu genes</u> found in swine; first appearance of H5N6 in Laotian poultry
- Vaccinations to be required for Rhode Island children
- <u>Patient barriers</u>, not provider knowledge, limit uptake of maternal influenza vaccine

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